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IT'S A WORLD RECORD!

HER WAIST IS 11 INCHES AROUND!

Old record was 13 inches set by this gal in 1939!

Actual waist size!

Husband of missing woman fears...

Botched hairdo drove wife off the deep end!

Middle-aged mom Pat Thompson has vanished from the face of the Earth — and cops think her disappearance may be connected to a botched haircut.

The woman from Huddersfield, England, left a note to her hairdresser in the car she abandoned indicating she was very upset that her haircut was too short. The woman's forlorn husband agrees the hairdo may have caused his missing mate to flip out and disappear.

"My wife was really upset about her hairdo and she did say she wanted to hibernate and not see anyone," Geoffrey Thompson told *The Weekly World News*.

"But this is an awfully long time to hide. No one has seen her, no one has heard from her," he said sadly. "I'm really worried. I don't know what to think."

Mrs. Thompson mysteriously disappeared on Christmas Day — after telling her husband she was going to mail a letter. Police found her car abandoned on the banks of a river.

Authorities dragged the river several times searching for her body, but they found nothing.

A two-page letter left in the car contained a heartbreaking plea to the hairdresser, begging for a chance to discuss the haircut Mrs. Thompson had received two days earlier.

"She'd just gotten a trim on the same style she'd had for months," her husband said. "It was a little short, but nothing that did damage to her appearance.

"But she had to have her hair perfect. She felt this to a degree that other women don't," he said.

"She was traumatized at age 4 when her mother cut her pigtails off and her father was so angered by it that he didn't speak to little Pat or her mother for several weeks.

"After that her hair had to be just right — we've lost friends because at the last minute she didn't think her hair was okay and she would decide to not go ahead with plans."

Authorities are continuing their search for the missing woman.

"We've been married 11 years," her frantic husband said. "This thing is unbelievable. I can't understand it. I just want my wife safely back."

Chewed-off ear attached to leg of bar brawler

Someone bit off Patrick Neary's ear during a bar brawl, but doctors reattached it — to Neary's leg!

A passerby retrieved the severed ear, packed it in ice and rushed it to a hospital in Dover, England. Surgeons grafted the ear to Neary's leg to keep the tissue alive.

Microsurgeons were expected to reattach the ear to his head next week.

Old woman blown sky-high by exploding toilet!

An elderly woman miraculously escaped serious injury when the public toilet she was using exploded in a hellish mush of smoke and flame!

Witnesses said the lady ran screaming into the street in Beijing, China, after being lifted by the stunning explosion.

Authorities investigated the incident but haven't the faintest idea what caused the toilet to blow.

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Polish pastry

Margaret Dimitrakis makes the evening news fun to watch in Poland, where she is a popular newscaster. The attractive news vixen 1st runner-up in the Miss Poland contest in 1999. Even with her eye-catching and crazy-evening she finds time for gym exotics and professional singing and dancing.

Scientists baffled by mysterious hole in the ground

UFO rips off massive chunk of planet Earth

It wasn't a meteorite or even an earthquake that mysteriously ripped out a giant chunk of our planet in a remote Washington state wheat field, says an expert — it was a UFO.

"When these spaceships land and take off, there's a tremendous amount of suction," said Tim Beckley, editor and publisher of the *UFO Review*.

"There are a lot of documented cases where space aliens have landed their ships and left huge impressions in the ground," he added.

A slab of land 7 feet wide, 10 feet long, 18 to 24 inches deep and weighing tons was carved out as though someone used a giant cookie cutter.

"All we know for sure is that this piece of Earth is 72 feet away from the hole it came out of," said geologist Greg W. Bohrens.

The incredible incident occurred on a farm near Grand Coulee in north-central Washington.

There was a small earthquake near the area, but scientists at the University of Washington have ruled out the quake as the cause.

A meteorite wasn't to blame because there was no sign of impact.

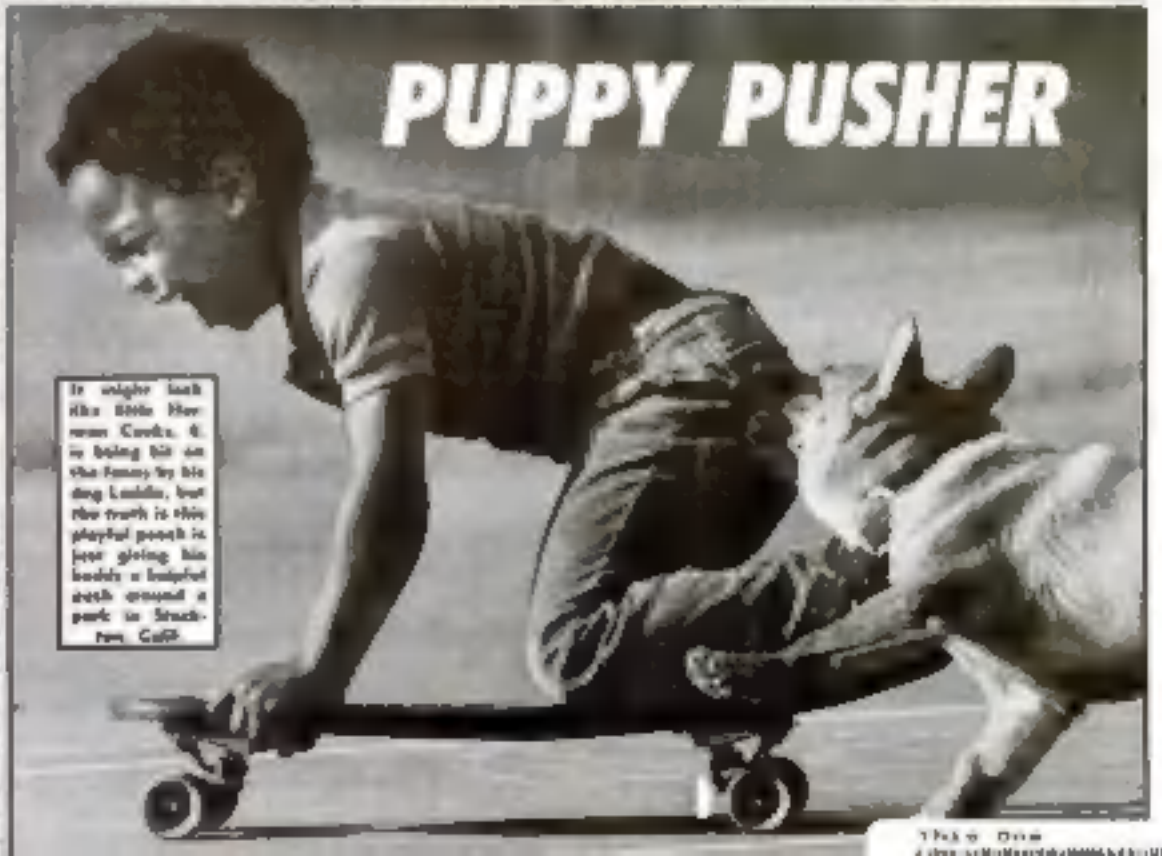
"The hole was not a crater," said Don Aubertin, director of mining for the Colville Indians, whose reservation is near the site. "It had vertical walls and a fairly flat bottom. It was almost as though it had been cut out with a giant cookie cutter."

There were no marks at the scene to indicate that the chunks were used to dig out the massive dent.

"There is only one reasonable explanation for what happened," said Beckley, a well-respected UFO expert.

"It was the work of an unidentified flying object. They have been known to suck up land and there have been quite a few sightings of UFOs in Washington," Beckley recalled a similar incident in Florida several years ago when another UFO was seen hovering over a busy highway in many witnesses.

"The next day there was a huge hole in the middle of the highway," said Beckley.



Fish served so fresh it flops!

There's only one place to eat in New York that serves the catch of the day — while it's still alive!

Fresh fish is on sale at the Chikubu. This ultimate sushi bar serves live fish with a napkin over its eye.

A waiter at the restaurant explained that the napkin is not to protect the customer but the fish.

"That is so it will not be frightened by you or the light and jump out of the dish."

Widow climbs 19,000-ft. mountain of ice

. . . to say goodbye to her dead husband!

By MICHAEL TODD
Special Correspondent

Judith Kelly found her "personal peace" when she trekked to the place where her husband and 28 others had perished in a mysterious airline crash — on a 19,000-foot-high mountain in South America!

It was an incredible journey of love she had vowed to make after an Eastern Airlines Boeing 727 passenger jet slammed into the snow-blanketed slope of Mount Illimani near La Paz, Bolivia, on New Year's Day, 1985.

The crew and passengers of Flight 980 — among them Mrs. Kelly's husband William — are still up there on the mountain, buried under tons of ice and snow.

And buried with its victims is the secret of why the plane had strayed about 12 miles off the course that would have taken it to a safe landing in the Bolivian capital.

"I was married to a fabulous person for 16 years and I couldn't just quit on him," the courageous widow said in an interview in her home in Arlington, Va.

"My purpose was personal peace.

"I wanted to be there and share that spot."

Not a large woman, she began training with aerobic and health exercises to gain weight and increase her strength in preparation for her trip.

She spent six weeks in a climbing course in snow-covered Alaska.

Then came more weeks getting used to the altitude in La Paz.

ABOVE: PEACE at last for widow Judith Kelly!

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LEFT: MAP shows Mt. Illimani near La Paz, Bolivia, where Eastern Airlines Flight 980 went down. Judith Kelly journeyed from her home in Arlington, Va., to the 19,000-foot-high crash site where her husband William is buried under tons of ice and snow.

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Her first climb to Mount Illimani's crest and partway down the other side.

Finally she reached her destination of snow.

"I was able to find one piece of wreckage across the valley," said the determined woman.

"But mostly it was a snow-covered field that was very, very steep, and I was afraid to go down it.

"I was afraid I would fall and slide down the mountain."

Instead, she took a few photographs and read aloud some letters from her dead husband's friends.

She then collected a few small shards of plane wreckage as mementos of her incredible odyssey and began the long, sad trek back down the mountain.

Would YOU live on 'Quickie Drive?'

Officials in Houma, La., are prudish over plans to name a street Quickie Drive — but the developer says their minds are in the gutter.

"People around here have warped minds," said developer Dalgie Blanchard, whose father, "It never crossed my mind as he ag very."

Dalgie said his dad got the nickname because he used to

Gal has the world's smallest waist!

TINY Margie Gleason shows off

By TONI MEARS
Special to The NEWS

Margie Gleason has the world's smallest adult waist. It's a mere 11 inches around, which is roughly the size of a coffee cup!

The previous record waist belonged to Ethel Granger, who in 1939 measured in at 13 inches. Oddly enough, Miss Gleason suffered from childhood obesity and didn't slim down until she became an adult.

"When I was a child I weighed as much as 190 pounds and there are a lot of people who still call me 'Fat Margie' today," said the 20-year-old secretary from Oklahoma City.

"I'd much rather be skinny than fat, of course, but sometimes I miss the bulk. I have a hard time getting clothes to fit with this teeny weeny waist.

"My skirts and blouses all have to be altered and fibers still don't look right."

Miss Gleason said she knew her waist was unusually small even when she was fat. At the weight of 190 it measured only 24 inches around.

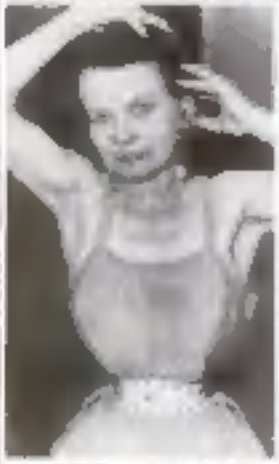
"When I started slimming down in my early 20s my waistline was the final part of my body to shrink," she said. "By the time I got down to 120 pounds, which is what I weigh now, it measured 13 inches and wasn't much bigger around than my arms."

The woman's dietitian says the woman's waist is tiny because her internal organs are smaller than normal and jammed up under her ribs.

Her abdominal muscles are unusually thin, they said, and virtually disappear at her waistline. "Most of the time I wear tent-fitting clothes so people don't notice my waist," said Miss Gleason.

Woman measures 11 inches around — the same size as a coffee cup!

Actual waist size!



PREVIOUS record-holder Ethel Granger's 13-inch waist

Naked dad WOWS 'em at wedding

A proud father showed up at his daughter's wedding stark naked — and no one cared!

"It's not the clothes, but the heart that counts," said Sabelan Hanis, 46, who lives in East Java, Indonesia.

Others in the village once learned to live with his naked

Survey: It's OK to shoot your abusive hubby

Wife beaters beware!

According to a recent study most American women say that it's okay to kill your husband if he's a wife beater!

women surveyed by Glamour magazine said that being beaten repeatedly by a mate could lead to such a state of hopelessness that murder would be the

at my marriage. I used to close my eyes at night and see myself stabbing my husband over and over," one woman said.

WET A WAY TO GO!

These well-suited water-skiers are putting some splash in their dash to work. David Cardinal, left, and Frederick Beaupre took the wet way across Boston Harbor as part of a campaign to promote a brand-new commuter ferry service.

Gals with $ booze it up

Women who earn big bucks outside score booze than those who make less, say university researchers, while the opposite is true for men!

Eye-opening facts about your newborn

Contrary to popular belief, mothers don't know everything there is to know about their newborn babies. They're often as confused as everyone else about some of their infants' habits.

Those facts from *The Parents' Book of Facts* by Tom and Nancy Siracusa will solve some of the mysteries surrounding their little bundles of joy.

- All new babies have a button nose. The bridge of their nose grows later.
- Most are born with blue or blue-gray eyes. Permanent eye color takes months to develop.
- Four out of 10 babies are born with at least one birthmark.
- Babies breathe quickly — 30 to 80 times a minute compared to an adult's 15 to 20 times a minute.
- Babies get some immunity and protection from infections from their mothers. But they are still vulnerable to colds, so keep your infant away from people with the sniffles.
- Babies focus their eyes on a spot about eight inches away, as if you want your infant to see you clearly you must get close. And babies prefer looking at curved lines.

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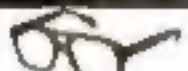

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By CONSTANCE DuPONT
Special to The Weekly World News

Mom names kid after the devil's number — 666!

Bobbi Jo Keene doesn't worship the Devil or anything like that but she named her son Billy "666" Keene because she likes the sound of the numbers as they roll off her lips.

It should come as no surprise that the woman and her 6-year-old boy have taken a lot of heat because 666, as any Bible-reading Christian will tell you, is the "mark of the anti-Christ — or beast."

"I named my son 666 because I like the sound and if people think we're evil or crazy that's their problem, not mine," said the 26-year-old widow from Phoenix, Ariz.

"Billy is a super kid. He's a great student. And he goes to church every week of his life," she continued.

"He even preaches by the stop sign near our house from time to time.

"You could search for a thousand years and you wouldn't find an evil bone in his body — or mine."

Mrs. Keene said she originally planned to name her son Robert Karl but when she saw his face in the hospital a few moments after he was born, "he didn't look like a Robert — he looked like a Billy — and 666 seemed to fit him, too.

"The nurses on the maternity ward thought I was joking but I assured them that 666 was the name I liked," she continued.

"I didn't hear much more about it until he started school and his classmates heard his teacher call out 'Keene, Billy 666' during the roll.

"His friends are too young to know anything about 666 in the Bible but they must have told their parents about his unusual name.

Now some of the kids have been forbidden to play with Billy.

"One woman calls him 'The Beast' to his face and I've been called 'Devil Woman' more times than I can count.

"It would be a simple thing to change his name," she added. "But I'm not going to let a bunch of idiots run my life.

"I answer to the Good Lord, myself and nobody else."

Little Billy is the first to admit that his name is unusual but he does his best to take it in stride.

"It's just a name," he said. "It doesn't bother me."

PROUD MOM Bobbi Jo gave her son the name she thought fit him best. Billy 666 Keene is common to boys his unusual name.

FIRST GRADE pupil Billy 666 Keene is the envy of his classmates.

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"It's getting to the point that every person is discriminating against us smokers," said Cohlmia, whose airline will offer service from Oklahoma City and Dallas to Las Vegas. "But if you smoke that's your business."

Cohlmia points his plane to resemble its cigarettes. The Dallas businessman calls his airline a club so he can operate under less restrictive charter flight smoking rules, charging a $10 annual fee for membership.

Round-trip tickets to Las Vegas from either Dallas or Oklahoma City cost $198 if you

Thieves strike bowling alley

Blundering bowlers apparently couldn't score on the lanes, so they swiped three bowling balls and a dozen pins.

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Wife and hubby in double sex change!

HE became a SHE and SHE became a HE!

Sidney, on the left in the photo above, and Daniella were a happy couple before their sex-change operations. But they've found new excitement since having the surgery — especially in the bedroom. They say everyone should try a sex change once in their life. In the photo at left, Daniella, now known as Dan, is on the left, and Sidney, who now calls himself Cindy, is on the right.

By JOE BERGER
Staff writer

Dumbfounded Daniella Lamb was so furious when her hairy-chested hubby slipped off to the hospital for sex-change surgery that she decided to even the score — by getting a sex-change operation of her own!

Now manly Daniella wears the pants in the family while her once-macho mate Sidney sashays through life in powder and paint and the prettiest, pinkest little frocks you ever saw.

"To the outside world, he's now Cindy and I'm two-fisted Dan — but in each other we're still just good old Sid and Daniella," the counterfeit fellow told a reporter.

"And strange as it seems, we've never been happier. Sure, I hail my surgery just to spite him, but all this equipment swapping has really spiced up our lives — especially in the bedroom."

The start of the sex-switch sweetie began late in 1985 when giddy Sidney, 26, had an operation that turned the Boston hunk dealer into a bogus belle.

"It was one of those things I'd always wanted to do," admitted the johnny-come-lately lady.

"I played football and I boxed and I chased girls, trying to show the world what a man I was.

"But inside I always felt I was meant to be a woman. I'd even talked to Daniella about having a sex change, but she was horrified by the idea. She said she didn't want a man who'd traded away all his best parts."

But shifty Sidney began secretly taking hormone treatments in preparation for the day he'd become a snip-and-tuck temptress.

And when unsuspecting Daniella left town to visit her ailing aunt for a couple of months, her scheming hubby headed for the hospital and yanked his family jewels.

"I got home and discovered the man I'd married just two years before wasn't a man anymore — he was a happy blonde bimbo," ditzy Daniella recalled.

"Needless to say, I was shocked at the time. All I could think of was some way to get even with the little weasel."

So the miffed missus turned the tables — and became an imitation sister.

"Now I'm the sweet young thing and she's the hunk in the family," giggled prissy Sidney.

"But we're not nuts, we're just living out our fantasies.

"Hell, I think everybody should have a sex change at least once in their lives. As we found out, it's a game the whole family can play."

Forget Columbus — the Chinese discovered America

It wasn't Columbus who discovered America — it was the Chinese!

At least that's the story put out by two researchers at China's Northeast Normal University.

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The researchers did not

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In the late 1940's and early 1950's, both Army and Air Force military units — on direct orders from the Pentagon — rushed to the site of several crashes in the Southwestern part of the United States and carted away the UNEARTHLY remains of both the craft and alien occupants. The emergency was finally over when Battelle Memorial Institute in Columbus, Ohio, according to military sources who later went against orders and decided to talk, began to work on the problem. Hangar 18 was used for this purpose. To date, no one has been allowed inside — not even Barry Goldwater, who was barred every attempt he made several requests that he be permitted to check the contents of the hangar.

A THREAT!

Now the TRUTH can be told! Recently because of a new law enacted by Congress known as the Freedom of Information Act, civilian researchers have been able to obtain via court order, classified CIA, FBI and State Department documents which verify the fact that we are not alone in the universe — that there is someone out there besides us.

At one point there was actually a "tug-of-war" going on between various branches of the government as to who was to get that answer to these space craft. Both FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover in a signed memo: "We must make sure full access to the data discovered. For instance, in one classified case, the Army grabbed the data and would not allow the FBI to have it for examination." Example, in 1971, Navy Lieutenant helped our South African Embassy request they attempt to recover a UFO that had gone down in the jungle.

Many UFO researcher Timothy Green Beckley has finally broken the previously unpenetrable barrier of silence that has kept this shocking news out of the national media. Obtained for the first time in the release of a highly classified research and development briefing-an operation known as OPERATION MAJIC-12 responsible directly and only to the President of the United States.

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- The secretive all-Top-George military base in Nevada where several aliens are now believed to be staying with the co-operation of the government.
- A Florida college professor who enjoys his rum each the person often publicly reports, and swears this is not a fabrication.
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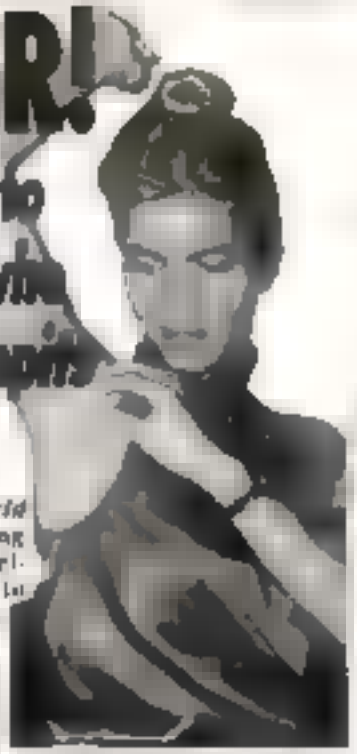
News readers' poll is in!

FIRE HER!

Boss was right to dump the gal who shaved her armpits in the office!



ONE-TIME ACE SHAVING gal Margaret Nelson fired

Thousands of *Weekly World News* readers can't be wrong — receptionist Margaret Nelson's boss had every right to fire her for shaving her armpits on the job!

That's what we learned from a poll that ran along with a story on Miss Nelson in our October 29 edition. As we reported at the time, the Los Angeles woman is threatening to sue her former boss for lost wages and discrimination because he gave her the ax after she lathered up her armpits and started shaving at her desk.

The receptionist's boss argued that he had to show her the door because she was flicking big globs of shaving cream and hair off her razor to the floor while stunned co-workers and customers watched.

And of 14,000 people who responded to our poll, 14,000 — that's 100 percent — agreed that the woman showed a serious lack of judgment and should have been canned.

Here's a sample of the responses we got from readers all over America:

● "The boss should have given this fool the ax. The next thing you know she would have been taking showers and changing underwear at her desk." — *Mustang, from Your Mystery*

● "Miss Nelson is a nut and should have been fired. But now that she's out of a job she'll have PLENTY of time to shave in public." — *Earl, from Michigan*

● "How could anyone feel sorry for this woman? If I had been her boss I wouldn't have been content to fire her — I would have hauled her butt out of the office so fast her head would have spun!" — *Ida, Age 60, Virginia*

M.J. from New Jersey was one of the 1 percent of poll respondents who believe that Miss Nelson had the right to shave at her desk and shouldn't have been fired.

She said: "Underarm shaving is a fact of life for women. Why make a big deal of it?"

Teen went on LSD trip 20 years ago — and he's still traveling!

A 17-year-old youth went on an LSD trip 20 years ago and he's still on it!

He has not returned to normal since that first and last venture with the hallucinogenic drug.

"He sees geometric designs. He sees colors. He sees false movement in his peripheral vision. He sees the air," said Dr. Henry D. Abraham.

The Boston psychiatrist has studied more than 200 people whose views in behavior has been altered permanently by LSD use. Dr. Abraham said the teen

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CASTRO GOES GA-GA OVER '90210' BEAUTIES

WORLD'S HOTTEST COMMIE

By JOHN HANNON

Cuban windbag Fidel Castro is so smitten with th[e] [k]ittens on *Beverly Hills 90210*, the bearded boz[o] wants [t]o be Dean of Discipline on the high school con[-] fidential TV show!

Sources in Havana [say] the khaki-clad [dic]tator stops everything [at] 9 p.m. pronto on Thursday nights [to] ogle the teeny-boppers from West Beverly Hills High [on] Channel [1] from Miami.

"Fidel is seriously ga-ga over Kelly Taylor, the bitch-goddess played by Jennie Garth," says one insider.

Eric Clapton talks about his late son

Judge Thomas is a pussycat compared to the 'dirty old men' of yesteryear!

You want sexual harassment? She'll give you sexual harassment. Helen Gurley Brown, chief honcho at Cosmo magazine, recalls those never-a-dull-moment workdays of yesteryear.

"When I was working my way through secretarial school in Los Angeles at radio station KNX, and I came in from school every afternoon, some of the men would be playing a dangerous game called 'deceptive' "

Now if you think what Clarence Thomas allegedly said to Anita Hill was raw, get a load of these guys.

"All newscasters and engineers who weren't busy would select a secretary, chase her down the hall, through the music library and back to the announcing booths, catch her and take her panties off. Once the panties were off, the girl would get them back on again. Nothing started even happened. Re-pantying was the sole object of the game," says Miss Brown.

"While all this was going on, the girl herself usually shrieked, screamed, fled, blushed, threatened and pretended to faint, but to my knowledge no actress ever reported to the front office."

And if this doesn't make you weep like a child for the good old days, here's how Miss Brown ends her reminiscence.

"All seriously," says Brown (who is 70), "the girls were their problem to work." And girls are managing to do very well, thank you. — London Mirror

of the third world island-nation would like nothing more than to give her a good spanking.

As Dean of Discipline at the school, he would be in a position to legally paddle Kelly whenever the leggy blonde got out of line, said the shrink. When told that corporal punishment is a no-no in California, the Fidel-loather said, "Hey, hey, lighten up. This is only a TV show! Anything is possible."

Fidel was shocked to learn that diminutive Valerie, the actress who plays Andrea, was actually 30 years old.

"She looks great for her age," said the bi-generoid macho macho man. "But she's a little too old for me." — Special to The Weekly World News

★ ★ ★

Natasha Cobb may be the highest-paid 10-year-old in the universe. But the three Mops she's still has to hit the books for three hours a day. How is he as a student?

"Why don't you ask the teacher?" says Mac. "She's hiding in the other room." Sure enough, in the other room is teacher Leah Strahan.

"I call him the Mad Attack," says Leah. "He's very smart. Especially when the problem is about money." — Premiere magazine

★ ★ ★

Mike Nesbit's new song, Calling Elvis, was inspired by his guitarist Mark Knopfler's brother-in-law.

"My wife Lourdes' brother Bobby said one day that trying to get through to Lourdes on the phone was like trying to call Elvis," says Knopfler.

"But it was applicable as far as I can see — problems of getting through, problems of communicating."

There are many calls waiting for The King. — American magazine

★ ★ ★

By Hollywood standards, where Alan Ladd was so small he had to climb up on a milk crate to speak, Sophia Loren,

Nick Nolte is a giant at 6-foot-1. But in the Nolte clan, he's the smallest man ever!

Nick's grandpa was 6-6 and he no was towering 6-8.

Even his sister is so tall as to be one of Nick's favorite tall persons was Great Uncle Cole.

"Uncle Cole raised pork mules and liked to drink straight whisky," teenage Nolte.

"He'd take a shot, then take a hunk of butter the size of his fist, put it in his mouth and smile." — New York Times

★ ★ ★

Maybe Miss Piggy won't get so ugly now that she's no longer Mrs. Tom Cruise. "I think the tabloids have me up to what, 40? From the moment I got involved with Tom they added two years every six months," says Miss, who's currently getting cover for her work as a tabloid cultist who finds Jesus and gives up sex again.

"Why don't you just say I'm ugly to start with, so that they have it's the down and, and the up and?"

Whatever you say Moon, as long as's not the deep end. — W magazine

★ ★ ★

That bride and unbuttered sex bar owner Mike Wallace has a rep for handling women pushing their rears and snapping their bras. But the 60 Minutes does can explain

I'm a demanding guy. I can demean people when I get under pressure. And I've been mean," Wallace explains.

Forget grace under pressure. This guy needs therapy. — Vanity Fair

★ ★ ★

Natalie Cole recorded her father-and-child reunion album, Unforgettable, where daddy Nat cut his memorable hits when she was knee-high to a Stolichnaya.

Doing that gave me an opportunity to create a dialogue with my dad," says Natalie of her duet with the late King Cole.

"I felt my father everywhere. It was like we'd really pulled his spirit in." — Ebony magazine

★ ★ ★

America's favorite good guy Gregory Peck is apartment shopping in gay Paree. It's not that Greg and Veronique have given up on the U.S.

"Truth to tell, some of our good friends are no longer here. Quite a few," says Peck.

MTV goes to China!

ogue with Cary Grant, David Niven, Rex Harrison, Jack Benny, Fred Astaire. We still have a lot of friends here. But we're not in the series anymore." — Los Angeles Times

★ ★ ★

MTV mogul Bernard Mahlmann is on a global roll. This year the booming music video channel invaded Moscow. Next year Beijing. "To see Benetton sweaters advertised on Russian MTV — I can't tell you how that makes me feel." Mahlmann says.

Like MTV will be the first TV channel to circle the planet, that's how! — Entertainment Weekly

★ ★ ★

Eric Clapton's son Conor was only 4 years old when he fell from a 53-story window to his death, but the youngster was wise enough to learn dad a thing or two.

"Towards the end of his life he had developed such a strong personality that he was able to tell me what I was doing wrong," recalls the sad-eyed Clapton.

"He was teaching me how to help him grow up and I couldn't believe that. I fell in love with him at that point. It was an unbelievable experience." — London Express

FEED ME TO THE DOGS!

Wacky politician wills his body to a home for stray mutts!

A British politician doesn't want his life to be a total waste so he's willing his body and bones to the strays at London's Battersea Home for Dogs!

"I love dogs and I can think of nothing better than to have my bones gnawed on after I'm gone," said Liberal Party Parliament member Lord Avebury.

"I believe anything that is biodegradable should be recycled.

"It's a terrible waste that bodies should be buried or cremated. It's a nice gesture to give the doggies a good meal and it will save the shelter the cost of some dog food, too." The 66-year-old statesman's bizarre request stunned his countrymen, his attorney and the management of Battersea.

The lawyer, who wished to remain anonymous, said he would resist Avebury's wishes to include any sort of dog food clause in his will.

And the folks at Battersea not only said they would refuse the bequest — they wouldn't even let Avebury tour the shelter to see the dogs.

"I'm sure there's a lot of nutritional value in the noble Lord," said manager Bill Wadham-Taylor.

"But we just couldn't do it on ethical grounds."

But Avebury won't take no for an answer.

He's actually carrying a donor card in his wallet that says his organs are to be used in transplant operations — and whatever's left is to go to the dogs!

"As a recent convert to Buddhism I don't have to worry about my soul because I don't have one," he said.

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Newlywed confession:

We don't know how to make babies!

"WHERE DID I COME FROM?"

By Jon Haugh
Staff writer

Starry-eyed sweethearts Bo Daley and Emma Aston were so eager to have kids that they ran off to Reno and tied the knot — then discovered they had no idea how to make babies!

"I know it's hard to believe in this day and age but even we got married we had no clue of what to do next," said befuddled Bo, 21.

"We know about kissing — part of — but that's really all we knew about the birds and the bees.

"I kind of thought Emma would know what to do when the time came, and she thought I would teach her. But when the big moment got there we just stood around looking at each other like a couple of rubes."

And the nervous newlyweds still don't have all the whys and wherefores of whoopee figured out — but they're working on it.

"We've been reading every manual we can get our hands on, and we're starting a sex-education class at the university next week," said the stri-

. . . now they're reading every sex manual they can get their hands on

king everybody else here all the fun."

Tiked Emma, 20, and her sorority sister grew up together outside Salt Lake City, Utah — and the childhood pals knew from the start by that they were destined to be "I do."

It was always Emma and me against the world, friends through thick and thin," recalled hunky Bo.

"We spent all our time together and just assumed that someday we'd get married and have lots of our own.

"But we were always talking in baby steps! We never think about it really. We just sort of glided through life letting nature do the whole thing.

"Our parents would never talk to us about sex — they were more interested in protecting their own sex lives."

The lovebirds finally realized how much we were all we needed to know and set off for Nevada right because we just could not figure out what else to do."

Embarrassed Emma and her good-natured groom decided to go public with their peculiar problem after a sex education seminar them that they could help others who are mystified about making love.

"Our teacher says there may be hundreds of married

NEWLYWEDS Bo Daley and Emma Aston here get some serious studying in at

couples out there who are just as stupid about sex as we are," said bewildered Bo. "Our advice to them is just to go out and get help like we're doing.

"We still don't have it all down pat, but I'll tell you this — we're learning and we're learning fast."

Study: Old folks' last days not so bad

Most Americans die in their sleep surrounded by family and loved ones, a surprising new study shows.

Instead of lingering pain-fully in a hospital linked to life-support equipment, the majority of folks are without much in their anguish death

studies of the elderly. Fully they believed they were go-ing to heaven.

home and another 20 percent transfer to a hospital only a short while before they die.

Researchers in Philadelphia found that most people approaching death were not de-

ing in love," said M. Powell Lawton, director of research at the Philadelphia Geriatric Center.

"It means they had something to live a while longer for."

ALIEN MUMMY FOUND IN CAVE

ISTANBUL, Turkey — Scientists investigating an unexplored cave have unearthed a coffin — containing the corpse of an alien being from another world!

Researchers report that the mummified creature, which stood only 4 feet tall in life, has pebbly, leaf-green skin and filmy, transparent wings like an insect. Despite its bizarre appearance, Dr. Fatih Turnumbay said the being had walked upright on two feet and has the hands and the sex organs of a male more human than animal.

Dr Turnumbay said the coffin is made of a shimmering, crystalline material not found on Earth and not unlike that found in rock samples brought back from the moon by American astronauts

"The coffin is incredibly strong," said Dr Turnumbay, a well-respected professor of archaeology.

"In fact, it is easily the strongest material I have ever heard of

"We slammed it with a sledgehammer and didn't even scratch it. Then we tried shooting bullets — and they didn't leave a mark."

But far more extraordinary are the results of tests on the insect-like alien. They reveal that the creature is actually older than Earth.

"Its age is beyond comprehension. Somewhere out there in deep space there is a planet undoubtedly very much like ours where human-like creatures live for millions upon millions of years. It's amazing!" he said.

Dr Turnumbay reported the alien's hands and feet — including fingernails and toenails — are distinctly human, as are its teeth, lips and ears.

"Only its eyes are different from ours," he said

"They are three times larger, are totally colorless and like those of a reptile

"But there is one thing that definitely does bother me," Dr. Turnumbay added in his report.

"With a creature such as this, I am not at all certain it really is dead. And that is very frightening."

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Spooks upsetting our mental patients, say psychiatrists

Don't let shrinks ban Halloween!

I'm madder than Count Dracula with a toothache over a sneaky, behind-the-scenes move to ban Halloween next year — because a hunch of egghead psychiatrists say it upsets mental patients!

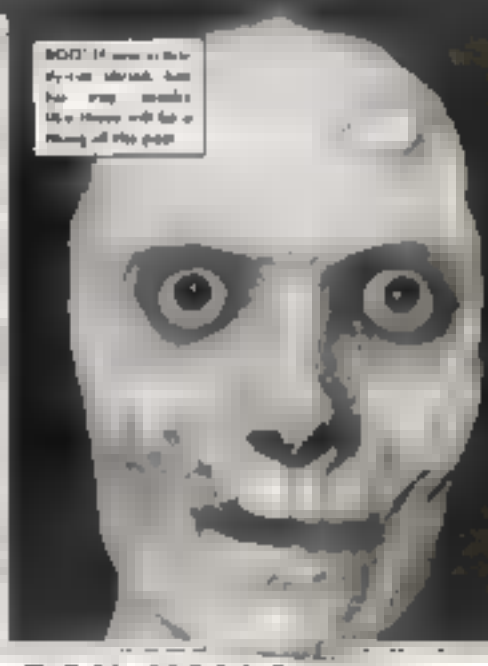
You heard it right, folks. They're trying to outlaw my favorite holiday in 1992 because a bunch of loonies have a fit when they see a monster mask on some little kid dressed up like a Mutant Ninja Turtle.

Let's face it. America has gone to hell on a hand basket when some guy who thinks like a space alien can have Halloween outlawed!

"Ghosts and goblins running loose on Halloween night scare the daylights out of my patients," said one wrinkled shrink at the National Symposium on Mental Health in America. I think it's high time to make our kids sensitive to the fact that mental illness is nothing to make fun of and we should think of some other way to celebrate All Saints' Day.

Well, excuuuuuuse me.

Wise-guy shrinks have pinpointed shrink fighters out that with



BOO! If some of the shrinks should ban my masks like Hoppy and me wearing all this gear

MY AMERICA
By ED ANGER

daylights out of my kids every Halloween, starting way back when they were 2 years old.

My son Justin was scared to death of Hoppy when he was a toddler, and I dressed up as a Doberman policeman. Hoppy was terrified and chased me around the house when he saw me.

He never had any problem with it after that and even went with the Bearded Skull at the neighborhood to trick or treat.

But what makes me so mad is that these brain cases are trying to get rid of Halloween. Kooky night is when everybody is quick and glad. That's the only good thing about it.

Pranks aside.

But it would break your heart if you were as afraid of Halloween as that patient I talked to.

Now, these nuts claim these outbursts will start to multiply the full moon, like crying and howling.

Ed Anger's BAN HALLOWEEN poll!

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☐ YES I agree with Ed Anger that the crackpot plan to ban Halloween is sensational!

☐ NO! If Ninja Turtle suits and ghosts scare lunatics we should outlaw Halloween forever. Like the shrinks say.

Comments:

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There's good news ahead on the economic front for the next six months, says a startling new survey.

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He [illegible] — but she's sure he's still alive

Mom's 37-year vigil — waiting for her lost son

A PORTRAIT of Frances Sherwood and her beloved son, Clifford, who ran away from his apartment.

By SUSAN JAMISON
Staff writer

Frances Sherwood's 9-year-old son vanished mysteriously, but the heartbroken mom still waits for his return — as she has for 37 years now.

The gray-haired woman says she has never given up hope that her only son is alive and well somewhere and will one day knock on her door.

"All my life I've hoped," the 72-year-old Montreal mom said. "People say I'm crazy for hoping that long, but I say I'm not — because if I give up hope I might as well die."

Frances' son Clifford was last seen on Oct. 31, 1954, when he left his home to walk to school with his friend George Dambly, 12. The 9-year-olds never showed up at school and he and young Dambly vanished without a trace.

Frances called police but months of searching revealed no clues and eventually the investigation was put on a back burner. Police thought the boys had wandered off or run away. Frances suspected her former husband might have taken the boys.

Over the years, Frances waited for her son to turn up, but he never just appeared from Clifford's dad, she remarried and raised a family of devoted stepchildren. It wasn't until one of them — Douglas Ross, 31, — began a private search for Clifford that a few tantalizing clues emerged.

A relative recalled hearing Clifford's father describe a meeting with the boy years after his disappearance. And an organization that traces missing children discovered that an Edward Clifford Sherwood lived in Edmonton in Canada in 1967. His driver's license gives the same birth date as Frances' son, Clifford Edward Sherwood — March 30, 1945.

Ross and his stepmother are hoping that the man, who has since moved away from Edmonton, will hear about their search for him and contact Frances. To help in their hunt, Clifford's family has put the word out in the Canadian press and even had a computer photo made of Clifford as he might look now.

"I'm tired of seeing sadness in Frances' eyes at Christmas," says Ross. "Thirty-seven years is long enough for her to suffer.

"When her time comes, I want my stepmother to be able to rest in peace, knowing what happened to her son. I want her to finally see the son she lost so long ago."

Computer-aged photo shows how he would look today

CANADIAN police used a computer to show how Clifford Sherwood would look today, based on his picture as a boy.

COOL KID DIALS LIFE-SAVING NUMBERS

Coolheaded kid Joshua Chrisler, 5, dialed 911 when his pregnant mom tumbled down a stairway — and saved her life and that of her unborn son.

Paramedics found his stricken mother, Ivy, bleeding profusely and nearly unconscious when they arrived at the Chrisler home in St. Louis, Mo.

"Joshua doesn't use the telephone and had just learned the numbers, but he said he got 911 on the first try," said the boy's proud [illegible] and pregnant for [illegible] by city officials.

"In my 25 years of fire service, I've never seen a child handle a situation as calmly as Joshua did," said Fire Capt. Andy Klein.

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Dirty ghost haunts bar — and gooses the gals!

The manager of a bar says her business is haunted by a prank-playing ghost that pinches lady patrons' butts and steals cigarettes and lighters like they're going out of style!

Betty McLennan, 54, runs the Growler Pub in Great Yarmouth, England.

She said the ghostly trickster, nicknamed Charlie, has played practical jokes in the tavern for the past four years.

"You may think I'm crazy but people will tell you that I'm very levelheaded," she said. "Charlie really does exist. The only question is what kind of trick he's going to pull next."

Mrs McLennan said the ghost first made its presence known by sneaking up behind her and yanking on her long hair.

"I didn't know what to make of it because I turned around and nobody was there," she said. "But after two weeks of having my hair pulled it dawned on me that I was being tormented by a ghost.

"I finally said, 'I don't know who or what you are but this has got to stop. Why don't you go bother somebody else?' "

The outburst stopped the spooky spirit's hair-pulling but not his pranks, said Mrs. McLennan. "One day he goosed me," she continued.

"I said 'stop or I'll have you exorcised.' That must have scared him because he never grabbed me again."

Since then, the ghost has stolen hundreds of packs of cigarettes and lighters from Mrs McLennan and her customers. He also swiped eyeglasses, mugs of beer, hairbrushes and watches. "And while he hasn't laid another finger on me he has pulled other ladies' hair," she said.

Mrs McLennan claims to have seen the ghost once. She said he is a dapper man in his late 40s with twinkling blue eyes and a smile on his face.

"There has been speculation that he is the spirit of Denis Spinks, a practical joker who ran the pub in the late 1930s," she said. "Wherever he is he's not dangerous or nasty. He's kind of fun."

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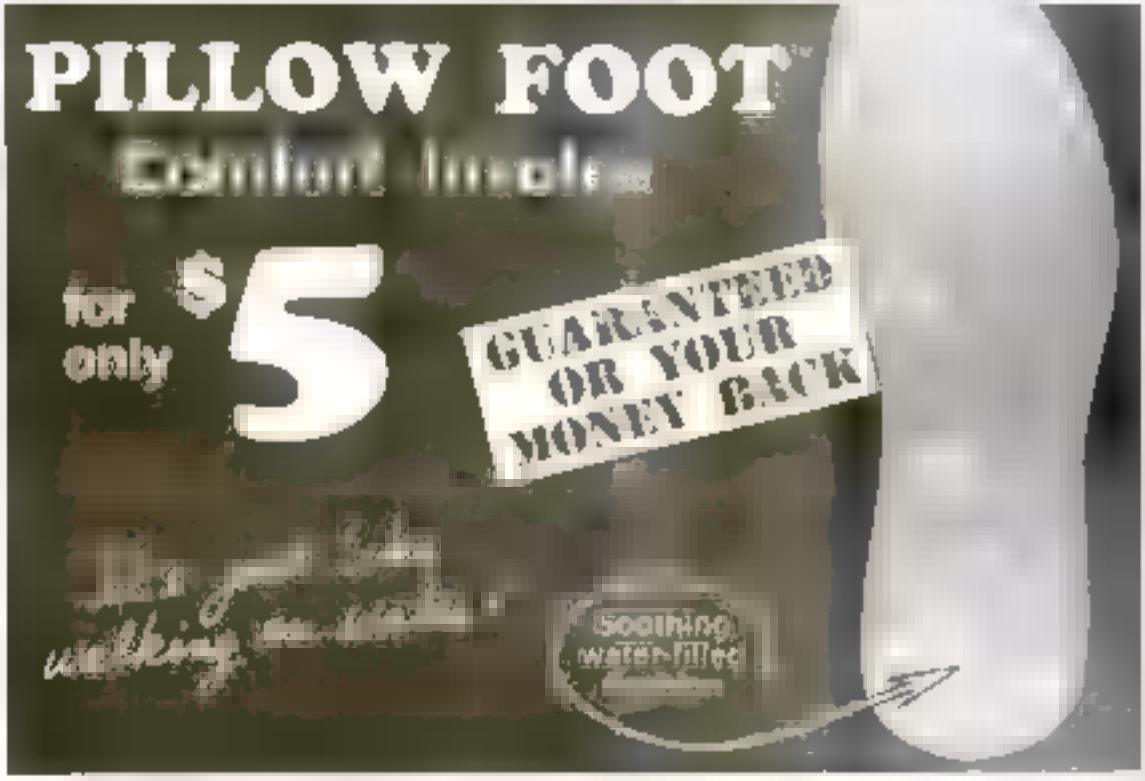

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Marriage 'champ' dumps 22nd hubby

Sex-crazed mates have finally worn me out, says tired wife!

By SUSAN HARRISON

Marriage champ Linda Essex is dumping her 22nd husband and heading for the single life again — so she can get a little rest from her nonstop lovelife!

The 51-year-old blonde says she's annulling her month-long marriage to hubby Jessie Chandler because she's fed up with his bad habits and needs to recover from the day and night pestering she suffered at the hands of her love-crazed mate.

I'm not getting tired of marriage," said Linda, who holds the Guinness Book of World Records title as the world's most married woman.

But I have to get a divorce before I can get a real honeymoon.

I just want to be a housewife, but my husband won't let me. I'm a No 1 lover. That's how I get my sleep at night and it's his flop in the department. They won't have us broke.

Exhausted Linda says she wants to rest up a while and then head for Las Vegas or Tahiti where she will pursue a career as a showgirl. Although her last job was driving a bus in her hometown of Anderson, Ind., she's hoping a new line of work will change her luck.

Linda has had a marathon marriage career dating back to 1957. As a tender teen of 16, she married a 24-year-old auto mechanic to get away from an unhappy home. Since then, the hubby-happy lady has wed a musician, a mechanic, a carpenter, a convict, two hairdressers, a lawyer, a lifeguard and a schizophrenic, to name a few.

She's had 15 husbands, four of whom she married twice and one of whom she married three times.

"I have seven kids," Linda says proudly. "I don't regret any of my marriages. Each one had something different."

CAUGHT with Linda Essex is cheating hearts by dumping her 22nd hubby — because she's exhausted and needs a break from the

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Every time I punch my wife my conscience takes a beating!

Dear Dotti: My wife and I have been married for 13 years and in most respects our lives couldn't be better. Our biggest problem is my temper. I'm ashamed to admit it, but if the least little thing doesn't go my way I instantly take it out on my wife — with my fists. Then after I beat her up I feel terrible about it. I've been to a dozen shrinks and counselors but they haven't done me a bit of good. I can't go on feeling guilty all the time, Dotti. What should I do? — Guilty in Wilmington

Dear Guilty: Under normal circumstances I'd tell you to consult marriage but in this case that's not the solution. *Leave your wife for good, pal — before you make a murderer out of her!*

Mom says I'm punk if I don't make A's and B's!

Dear Dotti: I'm making poor grades in school so my mother has decided to ground me for six weeks if I don't do worth at least C on my report card for the first semester. I don't think this is fair, Dotti. What do you think? — Worried in Texas

Dear Worried: I think your mom should ground you for your rotten second semester if you make even one C. For goodness sakes, child, it's time you understand education is important. If you aren't brain-damaged you ought to be making A's on all your classes!

You're living proof a gal can be pretty and smart!

Dear Dotti: I'm a graduate student at a major university and while my reading keeps me in touch with the great minds of history, I still look forward to your columns each week for its sterling insight and advice.

I don't need your help at this time, but I would appreciate an autographed picture. My fellow students sit off their work areas with ugly pictures of Frood and Marx. I'd love to put up your picture and show them that it's possible to have brains and STILL look like a million bucks! — Admirer in Canada

Dear Admirer: Thanks for the letter, Sweetie. From the cheap pen and I realize you have a lot going for you which I realize to course. Your autographed pic is on the mail! Make sure you find a permanent spot for it!

How do you tell a sweet gal she has a sour odor?

Dear Dotti: A girl at the office where I work must eat onion for breakfast because she has body odor that would stop a bull during mating season. She's a sweet gal, Dotti, and the last thing I want to do is hurt her feelings. But I've got to let her know that she's stinking everybody out. Pretty soon we'll all have to wear gas up our noses. Any advice? — Weak Gut in Baton Rouge

Dear Weak Gut: Clip this letter out of the newspaper and secretly put it on that sweetheart's desk. She'll get the message.

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Dear Never Thing in Hopeville: If you're so ethical, starboard, why can't you find a man!

Dear Make Dotti in Nebraska: You were angry but for like years I got him THANKING me for my efforts. Isn't it grand!

Dear Flustered in Hill City: Your daughter tells it a flashlight but if that's the case, why doesn't it have a bulb and lens?

Dear Marie Ann in Minnesota: Don't be a rind. On second thought, I guess you don't have a choice!

Dear Worried in Detroit: It's O.K. to tickle my pussycat — makes you get caught!

Dear Scared in Calcasa: Don't worry about it. The worst he can do is kill you!

Dotti will answer your letters — and talk to him if he says write to her, c/o Weekly World News, 600 South East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33462

Ask the Countess

Is my husband talking from his cremation urn?

Dear Countess: I keep the ashes of my dear departed husband on the mantel in my living room and as strange as it sounds, I sometimes hear squeaking and tearing noises coming from his urn. I looked for bugs and mice but couldn't find any, so I've concluded that my dead husband might be trying to communicate with me from beyond the grave. What do you think, Countess? Is it possible to talk with the dead? — Curious in San Diego

COUNTESS SOPHIA SARAH

Dear Curious: Your dead husband is indeed trying to talk with you but he doesn't get [illegible] For the next few weeks you will continue to hear the disturbing and squeaking noises you speak of.

After that you will hear his voice clearly. Then you will know what it is he is trying to tell you.

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Dear Countess: Please tell me who is stealing my jewelry. Every time I turn around another piece is missing. I've had my house searched by police and I've had a number of psychics read my premonitions taken in the past three months and suspect four people. Can you help? — Curious in Dayton

Dear Curious: As much as I hate to say it, dear, the culprit is your brother.

* * *

Dear Countess: I've been divorced for two years now and as much as I'd like to find someone new to settle down with, my relationships with women never last anywhere. I've met a lot of women, Countess, and I've been told that I'm good-looking, well-built and very nice. I've even had my rear pinched and boys [illegible] What gives, Countess? Tell me, am I destined to be alone forever? — Lonely in Indiana

Dear Lonely: I know your intuition versus Aquarius runs but there is definitely a woman in your future. My crystal ball tells me you'll find your one true love within the next few weeks.

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Grateful in Hollywood: You're most welcome, dear. Just don't forget to send me an autographed picture after your comeback movie!

Scared in Douglas Flat: My spell of protection will ward off any future disasters!

TEXAS MAN HASN'T

He was born in 1906 but he looks like a boy of 8!

By PATTY WALTERS
Correspondent

Herb Christiansen looks like a very old man in many ways, but he's 85 — and just turned 85!

In fact, other than going bald when he was in his 30s, the retired entertainer hasn't aged a day in 77 years and nobody, not even his doctors, knows why.

"Sometimes I don't know if this really because of a blessing or a curse," said Christiansen, who celebrated his 85th birthday with his 49-year-old sister Ellen and 53-year-old brother Bill in San Antonio on August 26.

"I don't have a wrinkle on my face but I'm anything but your average Joe," he continued. "I've caught on to the dirty looks I get when I go to dinner or a movie and tell the senior citizen discount.

"I have to show them my birth cer-

tificate, prove I'm really that old, pay full admission and everything else just like anybody else. It's funny, nobody believes that I'm entitled to it."

Christiansen said he was perfectly normal until he turned 5 in 1914. That's when he stopped getting older and was forced to watch his childhood friends grow bigger and stronger while he remained a kid.

"My mother and father told me sometimes I looked unusual and that nothing would ever be wrong with me," said Christiansen.

"Of course, you couldn't really tell that I wasn't aging until I got up into my teens.

"I'd be older boys I didn't go through puberty as a normal kid. They were body hair and big muscles that my friends got.

"I also had a very tough social life because my buddies didn't want to hang out with a 'little boy' and neither did the girls.

"One of my great regrets in life is that I never went through puberty," he added. "Getting married was out of the question because I knew no one would ever fall in love with a guy trapped in the body of a child."

Even at the age of 85, Christiansen continues to appear at events.

Doctors can't tell the company, heart, stomach and blood pressure of a 5-year-old even though he's never gone out of his way to take care of himself.

"I smoked two packs of cigarettes a day until I was 65 and I still like my bourbon and water," he said.

"I also eat lots of fried foods but it doesn't seem to have done me any harm."

Aging experts believe that Christiansen's inability to age is unusual but it is not without precedent.

"During the course of the last 50 years and the last couple years, I can give you a list of probably nine children in the world," said Dan Buettner, "Work, a walking partner — stay on a routine."

LEFT/RIGHT: Herb Christiansen went bald when he was in his 30s but he still looks like a little boy. At a party celebrating his 85th birthday, his niece and his nephew are his only kin. "I don't know if this ageless business is a blessing or a curse," says Christiansen. At right, he looks through a family photo album with his brother Bill and sister Ellen.

Herb Christi is 85 year

AGED IN 77 YEARS!

Passenger calls stewardess a bitch — and it costs taxpayers $10,000

By JACK ALEXANDER
Staff writer

When an airline flight attendant told him to sit down, Michael Bushey replied, "No problem, bitch" — and that cocky remark cost us taxpayers about $10,000.

The flight attendant told the plane's captain who taxied the Southwest Airlines jet to the gate instead of taking off from San Diego for Phoenix, Ariz.

Police were waiting for Bushey, 34, when he stepped off the plane and turned him over to the FBI. He was arrested on a federal charge of intimidating and interfering with an airport flight crew member.

"It's a judicial horror story," said Bushey's public defender Steve Riggs. "The guy had a bad day and the flight attendant snapped at him."

The former carpet installer who had fallen on hard times was put into a pre-trial diversion program, which required him to stay out of trouble for a year. He was supposed to check in with his service officer every three months.

But when Bushey couldn't find work, he hit the road and didn't show up for a field hearing in court last July 24.

Riggs tried to get federal judge Harry McCue to drop the charge at the July 24 hearing. "The prosecutor was willing, but the judge wasn't," said Riggs. "He issued an arrest warrant for Bushey."

Several months passed and Bushey made his way to Florida. He was arrested while hitchhiking near Orlando. When cops got his name in the national crime computer, they enjoyed the federal warrant.

So Bushey, who had no previous criminal record, was jerked up on the doorstep of a cost of $30 a day to taxpayers until U.S. marshals could take him all the way back to California by car.

"The government was ready to dismiss the charge until Bushey passed out here rudeness to cops to bring him all the way back from Florida for such a nickel-dime charge," Riggs said.

A judge was going to set a trial date until Bushey decided to plead guilty and save taxpayers more expense. He was sentenced to 45 days in jail on the charge of annoying the flight attendant.

Since he has served 37 days in jail, Bushey should be on his way after 23 days.

"When you add up the cost of arresting him, keeping him in jail, bringing him back here from Florida and the time of judicial officers, it cost taxpayers about $10,000," Riggs said.

REMARKS by Michael Bushey cost taxpayers big bucks.

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By JOE BERGER
Staff writer

Excited secretary Ella Landry volunteered to take part in a top-secret scientific project, and in a flash the lady was pregnant — with Abraham Lincoln's baby!

Eager Ella, 26, was impregnated with sperm cloned from Abe's blood and bones — and on Jan. 6, 1992, she'll give birth to the most amazing baby the world has ever known.

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"The scientists took a tiny sample of President Lincoln's blood and actually created a sperm cell with the same genetic pattern as Lincoln's," said the blonde mom-to-be. "So we're hoping this child will be an exact copy of him.

"They say if this experiment works, we'll be able to produce duplicates of all our great people right and left. We want another Albert Einstein, we create another Albert Einstein. We want another Elvis Presley, we create another Elvis Presley.

"I'm so psyched up I can't wait to see if my experiment turns out to be the actual second coming of Abe Lincoln."

The unmarried woman from Baltimore, Md., got involved in the clandestine experiment after answering a newspaper ad for adventurous volunteers.

"They wanted single women between 21 and 28, and at least two dozen of us showed up at their office," Ella told a reporter. "They gave us all real thorough physicals and three days of mental and psychological tests.

"And when they were done, they chose me. They said I have an I.Q. of 168 and boy, was I stunned. I'd always thought I was kind of a dummy."

But the unsuspecting secretary really got a shock when she learned what the renegade researchers had in store for her.

"When they told me they wanted me to have a baby, I almost flipped," she recalled. "And then they sat me down and explained the whole thing to me — what it could mean to the future of mankind — and I decided I'd be honored to get pregnant in the name of science."

UNTIL MARRIED WITH ONE? Ella Landry took part in a top-secret experiment — and now she is pregnant with Abraham Lincoln's baby.

But Ella has refused to identify any of the two dozen doctors and geneticists involved in the hush-hush project or to reveal the location of their secret laboratory.

"There are very few scientists and they're stranded from the start that this has to be an underground experiment because a lot of people just don't approve of this sort of thing," she explained.

"I know they're going to be upset because I'm talking to the press and I signed a contract to keep everything confidential. But I just couldn't keep quiet anymore. And there's really nothing they can do about it now — because I'm the mother of

NEWS EXCLUSIVE! It was bound to happen, says genetic expert

OUT COLD!

Boozer spends [redacted] with dead

In a bizarre tragedy, Scott Osborn spent two nights sleeping in bed with his girlfriend Dawn France — never realizing that she was stone-cold dead.

Both heavy boozers, Scott, 43, and 44-year-old Dawn had apparently collapsed into bed after a major bender.

According to testimony at an inquest into the pair's deaths, Dawn had gotten up, taken 40 sleeping pills and then died hours later of an overdose.

Her reeking corpse lay still as a statue in the bed while Scott snored away.

Two days later, he realized with horror that he'd spent nearly 60 hours in bed with a stiff.

"It was not uncommon for her to spend long periods in bed," Scott sheepishly admitted at the inquest as he was trying to explain why he hadn't realized Dawn's lifeless condition.

Meanwhile, the coroner, Kenneth Dyer, stated in the Rotherham, England, courtroom: "I can only take the charitable view that you were too drunk to realize what had happened.

"Upon how I find it incredible that you could sleep with her for just one, but two nights."

Testimony revealed that the troubled young woman had received psychological counseling that had proclaimed before, she was better by that time—she would she never her and have not.

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Fifty years ago she left her family to start a new life — but now she's back at home — because her husband refuses to hire a maid to help with the housework.

By BEATRICE DEXTER

Housewife Gertrude Berger is the world's dirtiest woman and she swears she's going to stay that way — because of an argument she had with her husband back in 1943!

The angry doctor's wife went on strike 29 years ago when her hubby Richard refused to let her hire a maid to help with the cleaning. Since then she has not cleaned anything — not even her own body.

"It's been almost three decades and it's going to be three decades more if he doesn't give in and get the whole help around this house," says Gertrude, 56, who lives with her husband and four children, in a prosperous suburb of Wichita.

He's wealthy enough to afford a maid's salary. He's just being stingy.

I told him if I didn't have a maid I wouldn't lift a finger ever again. Since then I haven't cleaned the house. I haven't washed a dish. I haven't touched the kids and I haven't taken a bath. Nothing around here is going to get clean if I have to do it all by myself.

Dr. Richard Berger had to wait a protective door mask, whenever his Gertrude's close by.

Angry mom hasn't cleaned a thing in 29 YEARS — because her hubby won't hire a maid!

A corpse who admits she's a mess

pled, waved and screeched but remained the picture of frenzied and carnally to overshadow her to change her mind. Her children stepped up after them

sailors with their father's help. Richard, 58, says he won't compromise with his stubborn wife because he believes that would reward her for her unhealthy behavior.

"She's being stupid about that," says the prosperous physician. "And I'm not going to encourage her by knuckling under every time she doesn't get her way.

"She doesn't have a job — she has plenty of time to clean the house. If she wants to occasionally dress like a hag lady that's her business. She's

Stolen gas burns crook to a crisp!

Crime didn't pay for the thief who didn't pay for his gas — his car hit a tree and exploded as he tried to get away!

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— then made a break for it. He was surprised by the fired-up store manager, who literally chased the crook into a tree.

He died a very painful death for $9 worth of gas, said a witness who

MAN THINKS HE'S MADE OF GLASS!

By MIGUEL DIAZ
Special to The Weekly World News

Doctors have confirmed that a 36-year-old bank manager is suffering from one of the strangest emotional disorders known to man: The poor guy thinks he's made of glass!

"That's right — glass," Dr. Klaus Mayer told medical reporters in Salzburg, Austria. "The doctor is quite rare but certainly not unheard of.

"It is the ultimate psychological defense against feelings of helplessness, self-hatred and doubt.

"Rather than face his inadequacies the patient begins to see himself as being exceptionally fragile. It's as if he thinks he's like a pane of cheap, thin glass.

"In this case the patient literally screams, 'I'll break!' at anyone, including his wife of 12 years, to touch or attempt a move to touch him.

"He obviously struggled to maintain his sanity and composure for many years before this rare condition got the best of him," said the expert.

"His wife told me he had always been meek and fearful.

"Last summer his condition deteriorated and he began to miss work and withdraw from his family. The change was so gradual that his wife didn't think anything serious was wrong until he locked himself in the walk-in closet in their apartment," said Dr. Mayer.

"My patient won't dare go into a crowd because he's terrified of being jostled. He moves very slowly, creeping along the sidewalk with his arms stretched out to ward off danger. He mumbles that it helps him glide.

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Natalie A. of Fayetteville, N.C. was married to a man who was a compulsive gambler. Despite his promises to stop, he would disappear for days at a time. Natalie was desperate. She had two children to support and a husband and sole breadwinner of her family and two teenage daughters. Poverty, the loss of her home stared her.

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Barbara M. of Dallas, Texas had been going steady and engaged for four years to a man she loved very much. Then, suddenly, he broke off with a girl he met the week before. She felt crushed. Until she called Sonia, she was determined to pass up the fateful blind date that changed her life. And her name.

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By Countess Sophia Sabah

ARIES
Mar. 21-Apr. 19

Be a little sentimental!
An old flame still burns for you. Sweet if you don't want to rekindle the fire, reminisce some of the old times. Who knows, you might enjoy yourself more than you'd thought!

One of your short cuts is going to make the news. Play it right and you could make some money out of the situation.

A spat over nothing at home is going to make you crazy. Knock some heads together!

TAURUS
Apr. 20-May 20

Answer that ringing phone!
The phone is going to keep you busy all week, but don't let an opportunity go by. You'll find like dropping yourself if you pass that opportune ring!

People are drawn to the good nature you wish out. Pretty soon you're going to feel that you ought to charge for all the support you give.

Think about it. You could make some money! A deal will come off without a hitch.

GEMINI
May 21-June 20

How'd you like to be in the movies?
Warm the hearts of those loved ones far away by starring in a home video.

When it comes to a decision about how to spend some hard-earned cash, stand on your own two feet. You've got the financial smarts to make the most of that nest egg.

Watch for a special announcement on TV. It will remind you of something you promised to do for a real pain.

CANCER
June 21-July 22

Don't hold back!
You can get ready with playing up all your best qualities this week.

You're feeling hipped these days and it looks good on you — and it's attracting a very interested member of the opposite sex!

Someone is on a roll, too!
Something large and blue is going to deliver good fortune right to your door. Use the gift with a certain amount of caution — it will give you power over loved ones!

LEO
July 23-Aug. 22

Do something for yourself!
Of course it's tempting now you always think of others first, but do something for yourself for a change.

You need a spear. And you get to choose when (and if maybe) and you go out!

Someone's going to sweep in your home life — and you're going to love it! That handsome but naughty hint with the dark hair you ride hanging today — tomorrow you'll have just how much!

VIRGO
Aug. 23-Sept. 22

You're due for a break!
Change your daily routine and scenery.

Everyone will notice how perky and "up" you suddenly are — and they'll start sending good ideas and breaks your way.

Get rid of some of the old stuff that's been cluttering up your life.

One item that you've shied around for years will bring you enough cash to buy a swinging weekend with someone who loves you.

LIBRA
Sept. 23-Oct. 22

Look before you leap!
An old "friend" is trying to drag you into a moneymaking deal that's more than a little bit shady. Stand up and say "no way!" even if it hurts.

Extra cash is coming your way soon, though. Look for it in a hand-up manila envelope.

A love from the past is trying to resurface. Do you want a trip down Memory Lane or do you feel things are just fine as they are? Listen to your heart and then choose.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Stand your ground!
All's fair in love and war, so don't let anyone bully you where your heart is concerned. You'll end up with what you really want — and you'll be in seventh heaven!

A rich relative, someone who always acts like an uncle, wants to give you some money. Stop being polite! You need it and they can afford it, so both sides offered into your wallet.

Look forward to a getaway day. You'll remember it for years.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Rewards rain down on you!
Everything you touch seems to shine.

You may get a final break — so take advantage of it. Get started on that project you've been talking about for so long.

Everyone knows when you mean business. It's time to stop playing the fool.

Someone you like is taking a second look at you. Keep working on spreading up your image.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Puzzle pieces fall into place!
You're having an unusual challenge in your daily duties, but you were worried about it, and now you know it's nothing you can't handle with both hands tied behind you.

You've guessed — and now you know it!

Someone who has a crush on you is going to embarrass you right out in public. Don't bother to stop them. The way you really care for knows who's got your heart on a string.

If your birthday is this week . . .

Mon., Dec. 9 — Sun., Dec. 15

A pleasant year, full of good things and good times, is in store for you.

Money matters finally go exactly the way you'd like and there are no more financial worries to worry about.

You're more important to a member of the opposite sex than you realize. Have fun giving some heavy attention to a certain someone.

At home, life is smooth and happy, but "boring" is a word you won't hear for the

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20-Feb. 18

You're grabbing all the attention this week!
The big guys have noticed all the work you've been doing. Look for some real recognition to land in your lap before you know it!

Someone is in the air! Someone's ready for you to really all over them. You'll both have a wonderful time!

Knowledge on a conversation and write down the phone number that you overhear. That number will

PISCES
Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Your time is coming!
Pesky money problems are going down the drain, just like old dishwater.

You're going to look and feel rich, rich, rich!

A friendship you've not really worked on brings you a good time with no strings attached.

Afternoon TV has a message for you. Watch or tape any program at 4:00 p.m. It's going to tell you how to

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Dead [redacted] screams to docs: LEAVE ME ALONE!

By BEATRICE DEXTER
Special correspondent

Lonely widow Rebecca Schwartz died on the operating table and frantic surgeons worked desperately to revive her — until her ghost begged them to let her die in peace.

Doctors say they saw the woman's spirit hovering over her body for a period of several seconds and distinctly heard her voice pleading with them to stop resuscitation efforts, according to an article in a Jerusalem religious journal.

"It was an astonishing thing that we all just stopped and stared," said Dr. Meir Eckels, a heart surgeon and head of the team which operated on Rebecca Schwartz. "There was a filmy transparent form floating above the patient and we could clearly hear a woman's voice.

"She said, 'Stop it — please let me go.' She said it several times and then the form disappeared."

The surgeon said her patient [illegible] revived although he and others in the operating room continued to work on her for several minutes. He admits that the group were not as eager to continue their resuscitation efforts after their eerie experience.

According to medical records and interviews with Mrs. Schwartz' relatives, the grandmother of seven had been severely depressed since her husband died two years ago. Last August she suffered a mild stroke, followed on September 21 by a massive cerebral hemorrhage.

Mrs. Schwartz was rushed into surgery and had undergone three strokes four hours on the operating table when her blood pressure plunged and her heart stopped.

The woman's family says Mrs. Schwartz had asked that no unusual efforts be made to prolong her life if she should become terminally ill and they feel certain she wanted to die.

"She was so anxious to be with her dead husband again," said the woman's cousin, Beryl Arnold. "I know she wouldn't have wanted to go on as sick as she was."

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CAMPGROUND HORROR!

Family flattened when van barrels over their tent!

THE Pella family, above, was sleeping peacefully in its tent when cops say a van driven by Jason Van Soeyen, left, ran over the tent and flattened them all. The family was camping to celebrate birthdays of the father and son, family, who were avid campers, were celebrating the birthdays of Kreml and his son, Jason.

By JACK ALEXANDER
Staff writer

A family of four camping out in a tent was crushed to death when a van loaded with teenagers went out of control and ran over them.

"They never knew what hit them," said Chief Deputy Bill Howe. "They were asleep when the van came barreling across the campground. It was a nightmare that came true."

Killed instantly in the senseless tragedy were Kreml Fria, 39, his wife Kathy, 39, and their children, Jason 13 and Jennifer, 9.

The close-knit family was sleeping in a tent about 50 feet from a dirt road that leads to a boat dock at a camping ground near Chesapeake, Iowa.

A van driven by Jason Van Soeyen, 18, veered off the road and marvel into the tent, wiping out the Fria family from Mahoney Park, Ill.

Five teenagers were in the van with Van Soeyen. There was a pretty full bottle of whiskey in the van, but a blood-alcohol test revealed Van Soeyen was not drunk at the time of the tragedy, according to Deputy Howe.

"Van Soeyen said he dropped a cigarette as he drove into the campground area and just crested of the van when he reached down to pick it up," Howe said.

The teenage driver was booked on $100,000 bond charged with four counts of vehicular homicide. The dark with her husband, Marcia

Deputies have no idea why the van filled with young people was cruising around the campground.

"We're all pretty well shook up and in shock," said Norma Fairbanks, who operates the campground and fishing

Foot fanatic's fantasy foiled

A weirdo with a bizarre foot fetish dropped gallon jugs of wine on people's toes and then posed as a doctor so he could rub their feet.

"He would strike up a conversation with an employee at a supermarket while holding the wine bottle and then drop it without warning," said Police Sgt. Frank Bailey.

Workers at Dierbergs Markets in Creve Coeur, Mo., complained to police after it happened three times within a week at three different stores.

Police investigated the complaints and charged dog food salesman Roy McCarthy, 36, with three counts of third-degree assault.

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These are a few of the tips to comfort from Jeff Foxworthy's rib-tickling new book: *Rich Is Chic: A Guide To Highfalutin For The Grandly Unsophisticated* (Longstreet Press, Atlanta, $4.95).

Here's more:

● Ears should be cleaned regularly and in private with your own trash keys.

● Scientists have proven that the regular use of a toothbrush can help people keep their teeth 30 years or longer. Buck and every tooth should be brushed no matter how far apart they are.

● Flossing teeth is also important. Lightweight monofilament fishing line works well.

● If you have aliens, deodorant is a waste of good money. If however, the proper use of deodorant can help you get off waiting for days.

● Get the attention of waiters by throwing biscuits at their heads.

● Don't let your dog eat at the table when you have visitors no matter how good its manners are.

● A good bloodline should be protected. Don't date or marry outside your family unless all your cousins are taken.

● At the movies, crying babies should be taken to the lobby. Pick them up after the flick has ended.

● When approaching a four-way stop motorists should remember that the vehicle with the biggest tires always has the right of way.

● Always tip a valet extra if he has to push or jumpstart

HE TOOK HER TO THE PROM — IN 1952

Couple has gone steady for 38 years!

By BEATRICE DEXTER
Staff writer

Mary Lou Phillips and Clarence Jones are lovers in limbo — sweethearts who have been going steady for 38 years!

Incredibly, the pair have dated every week since they started in 1952, but they have never progressed to getting engaged, let alone getting married. Their romancing has gone on so long the couple recently won a radio contest for the longest courtship on record.

"We aren't in any hurry," says bashful bachelor Clarence, 55, who lives with his aging parents on a farm just outside Ames, Iowa. "When the time is right, we'll be married. But not just now."

Clarence first met Mary Lou as a school dance in February 1952 when he was 17 and she was only 15. The two days as why they never got to dance together because Clarence was too timid to ask.

They've never had sex — and her mom still chaperones them!

But they did strike up a conversation and over the following weeks became friends. Finally, with Mary Lou's mom as a chaperone, the couple went out on their first date. Love bloomed and after going to their school's prom they were going steady.

Thirty-eight years later they still date, going to the movies on Saturday night or meeting for dinner on Wednesdays.

Mary Lou's ailing mom Laura continues as their chaperone when she feels up to it and watches to see that her daughter isn't out past midnight.

The lovers have no interest in seeing anyone else, but they never discuss marriage or the future — something Mary Lou attributes to her mom's watchful eye.

"Clarence is real shy so he never really asked me to go steady — it just sort of happened," Mary Lou recalls. "I don't know how he's going to get around to proposing to me.

"We have a kind of silent understanding that we're going to wind up married. But Clarence has never actually said anything about marrying. He just gets too embarrassed."

Mary Lou wears Clarence's high school ring on a gold chain around her neck and discourages suitors from other men. She visits her boyfriend regularly and on Valentine's Day she and her sweetheart shower each other with cards, gifts and boxes of chocolate.

LOVESTRUCK lovers Clarence and Mary Lou have never even talked about getting married, although they have been going steady since 1952.

The 55-year-old high school teacher says she's happy, but admits she really would like to marry someday and make her love affair official.

"... never did want kids, so that's not the problem," she explains. "And my mom has been a little sick, so it's a way it's good I'm home to care for her.

"Still, I would like to have a little ceremony, maybe with a white dress and flowers and all. And I'd like to have my own house. I'm sharing with Clarence. I know that someday I will have that. Until then, we'll just keep going steady."

MARY LOU'S school sweetheart has been a mainstay in her life since 1952.

Lion nearly has model's head for lunch

A modeling assignment turned into a nightmare for Shannon Audley when the lion she was posing for photographs with clamped its jaws on her head!

The attack by jumping his arm into the animal's mouth but Miss Audley, 23, had to be hospitalized for the treatment of cuts on her head and back, authorities in Manchester, N.H., said.

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Sicko commits fowl deed!

The goose who died with his boots on!

By DICK DONOVAN, [illegible]

A kindhearted human helped a crippled goose named Andy to walk by giving him artificial feet. But another human with evil in his heart ended the little critter's life — by ripping off his head and wings!

Hatched without feet, Andy became the pride of Hastings Park, and an object of total delight after being fitted with a pair of huge rubber shoes that enabled him to walk, run and swim just as well as a normal goose.

The Weekly World News brought that heartwarming story to its readers in November 1994 and Andy became quite the celebrity around the globe.

But a few weeks ago, some sick-minded human from the dark side of Fleming's story.

The goose's mutilated body was found in a Hastings park. Though his head and wings had been torn off, the Flemish killer allowed Andy to die with his boots on.

"It's hard to understand how anyone could do something like that to a helpless animal," Dave said. "Maybe he (the killer) was on dope. But one thing for sure, he's a cold-hearted SOB.

"But reward money is coming in from all over the world.

"Paul Harvey put in $2,000. The reward is up to $7,000 now, so I'm pretty confident he'll be caught."

Andy was 2 years old and had only stumps for feet when he came to the Fleming home in 1988. But he was strutting around like a peacock after Dave fitted him with the nifty little shoes that allowed him to walk.

The little shoes gave Andy a real boost up the [illegible] until he fell into the clutches of the despicable scum who snuffed out his life so horribly.

The killer wasn't satisfied with butchering just Andy, he also took Andy's mate Molly. Her fate remains a mystery.

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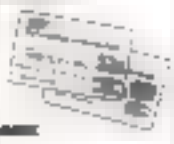

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How to deal with grumps, smart-alecks and know-it-alls

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The Know-it-all

Life would be a lot easier for you if you'd take some advice from psychologist Alberto Cereghino. He knows how to get along with hard-to-get-along-with people.

Cereghino makes his living teaching doctors, lawyers, secretaries, corporate execs and others how to deal with difficult people. He says we all could benefit from a few of his tips.

"About 85 percent of our day is spent communicating with others, and most of that time demands people skills," Cereghino said. "Yet days few people have enough training in people skills."

Cereghino listed seven of the most obnoxious types for The Weekly World News readers, along with his advice on how to tame them.

Sulkers. These guys talk about you behind your back and what they say isn't flattering. Take them down a peg or two by confronting them alone and ask, "Did you say ...?" Ask them to apologize in front of the group, which will [illegible]

Know-it-Alls. Turn these people loose to handle things more than they feel they can do everything and anything. But ask them to check in with you from time to time, so they know when a really is needed.

Clams. These people do not talk. You won't get ideas or solutions from them. When they shrug off your request for [illegible] and earn you the respect of friends and co-workers.

Complainers. Everybody else is wrong, every plan is a loser to these people. Listen to them — they may be right. Then ask them how they'd do it better. When they're put on the spot, they often shut up and drop the subject.

Pleasers. Because of feelings of inferiority or insecurity, these people lose sight of their goals while trying to be all things to all people. They feel guilty, sorry and even sick when they have to put a thing down. Confront them gently with constructive suggestions on how they can be more effective.

Perfectionists. They want everything done just so. They are often workaholics, which is okay, but they expect others to be as hardworking and perfect as themselves. To deal with them, point out that you're doing the best you can and that their perfectionism is interfering with your performance.

Stingers. These people think it's fun to see how far they can push people before they fight back. With them, confrontation works best. Say, "I just don't care to hear that," while looking them in the eye. Then break eye communication and leave.

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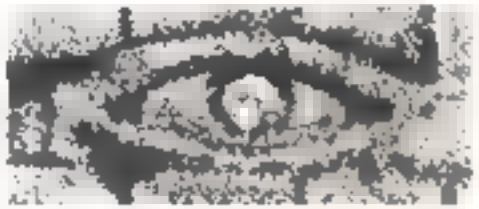

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MAD AS HELL!

Jobless man goes on window-smashing spree — with a slingshot!

By JACK ALEXANDER
Staff writer

Frustrated because he couldn't find a job, Sam Clark pulled out his high-tech slingshot and fired rocks through windows in more than 20 stores, cars and homes.

"I'm angry with society," said Clark, 30, who added he's been looking for work for four years. "I've got a little violence in me and I let it off shooting rocks."

Clark, his brother attorney Ken Clark, 33, and Thomas Ahola, 28, and Doug Ridgeway, 30, are charged with 90 counts of criminal mischief in Burlington City, N.J.

Slingshot Sam fired rocks from a car as he and his brother cruised on mid-afternoon, cops said.

"He used a special rocket slingshot attached to his wrist and blasted out the storefront window of a car agency," Police Lt. Pat Edmundson said.

Next to go was a window of a real estate office. Employees at both places thought they were being fired on with ball bats, at first, and called police.

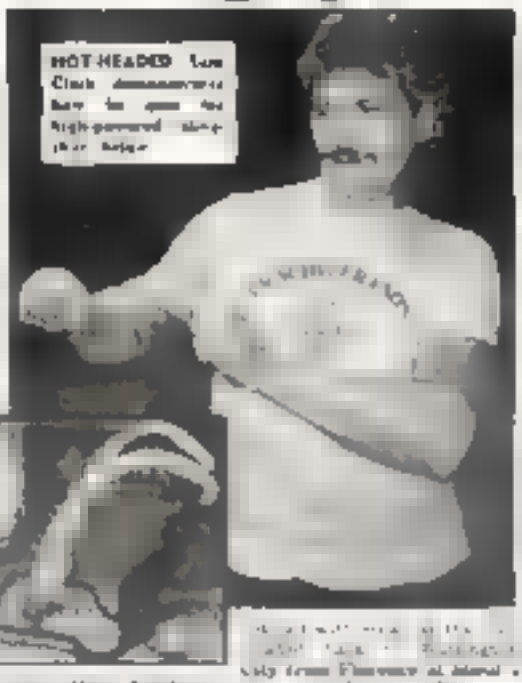
Later in the day, the Clarks joined Ahola and Ridgeway, and the four cruised the area again as Sam sat in the back seat and shot out windows at two more stores, cops said.

More than a dozen car windshields, picture windows on homes and store windows were [illegible] from Florence at about 4 a.m., according to police.

"One of our officers had a description of their car from an eyewitness to one of the incidents and stopped them," said a police spokesman.

Sam said he went out that night "to have a good old time" and to vent his anger at being unemployed.

The case against the four men has been transferred to the county prosecutor's office.



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A deficient penis can be stretched, thickened or both, said surgeon Harold Reed.

"I have had no complaints [illegible] afterwards," said Dr. Reed at Miami, Fla.

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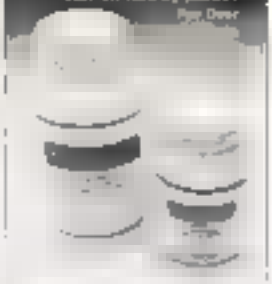

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SURRO-GOAT MOM

These great writers were lousy students!

Great writers weren't always good students — and a bunch of famous authors proved it. Here are a few of the literary giants who had trouble in school:

● Eugene O'Neill was dismissed from Princeton.

● John O'Hara was expelled from Fordham Prep.

● Edgar Allan Poe was kicked out of West Point.

● John Cheever was ousted from Thayer Academy.

● James Fenimore Cooper was given the boot by Yale.

Burglar brings daughter, 4, along to rob a house — then leaves her there!

By JACK ALEXANDER
Staff writer

A bungling burglar had to leave in a hurry while hunting a woman's house and left an important clue behind — his 4-year-old daughter.

"I guess he figured there wasn't time to get her and he trusted to save his own skin," said Newark, N.J., Police Det. Daniel Collins.

The homeowner said she was awakened on the early morning hours by someone breaking open her front door. She locked herself in the bathroom and called police.

A large knife in the house.

"The woman heard a child's voice during the burglary alarm. 'Daddy, I'm hungry Daddy. I have to go to the bathroom,'" said Det. Collins.

When the terrified homeowner began crying, the child asked the burglar, "Daddy, why is the lady crying?"

Police arrived minutes after the stupid crook jumped out a second-floor window and fled and jewelry from the house.

As police checked for evidence, the elderly homeowner comforted the little girl, who cried for her daddy.

"We know who he is, but we haven't been able to find him," said Det. Collins. "The little girl has been turned over to the Division of Youth and Family Services.

"Obviously, we have no idea why he took his little girl along

BOWLING BALLS MAKE DANGEROUS SHOT GLASSES

Getting smashed in Wisconsin has taken on a new meaning now that folks have started the wacky fad of using bowling balls as shot glasses.

The bizarre fad involves filling the thumb hole with a shot of tequila or another favorite liquor.

Then daring drinkers thumb-hoist the ball high above their heads and spill the booze into their eager and waiting mouths.

No one is sure where the tippling trend started but you better be careful if you try it and make sure your hands aren't greasy.

Any slip of the ball could easily result in massive facial

Circumcised men want their skin back!

By JACK ALEXANDER
Staff writer

When some guy from a group called RECAP says, "Gimme a little skin," he doesn't mean a handshake. He's talking about the skin he lost through a circumcision.

About 200 belong to RECAP, which stands for Recover a Penis, and about half of them are probably gay, says founder Wayne Griffiths.

They've gone to weird lengths to get back the foreskin that was taken away from them. Some do it by stretching existing skin while other men have surgery.

. . . and now they can have it, say docs

San Francisco columnist Tim Kelly says RECAP is an antidote to his anger.

"People who are circumcised feel like they can't do anything about it," he said. "And they can do something about it."

Doctors have mixed opinions about whether circumcision wards off a range of diseases or is simply a useless, even brutal, practice. About 55 per cent of all male infants have their foreskins surgically removed, according to 1988 figures from the National Center for Health Statistics.

Dr Aaron Fink of California agrees with circumcision, but sees nothing wrong with foreskin reconstruction.

"They want to enhance their image whether it's in their pants or on their face," he said. "Who am I to say they shouldn't do it?"

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Anorexics are good girls

Girls often fall victim to anorexia because they're taught at an early age that it's as important to be thin as it is to be good, experts say.

"Anorexia is a disease of the best little girls in the world," says Jill Lyndon, an eating disorder specialist at a hospital. The perfectionist impulse.

"Victims are typically accomplished, intelligent, extremely competent and overachievers in everything they do.

"Their primary thing in childhood is to be the best at

the are that they could be," and that attitude holds over into adulthood.

And TV fashion magazines and even parents hammer home the notion that it is really great they have to be really thin, experts say.

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Chef's hot sauce melts the fillings right out of gal's teeth!

A food contest judge was hospitalized for the treatment of shock when she sampled a hellish new hot sauce that melted fillings right out of her mouth!

Catherine Chevalier hasn't been available for comment since the disaster but she didn't say that she didn't have fair warning.

To reduce the liability for damages every bottle of chef Jean Michael Gautier's hot sauce carries a warning that states:

"Customers with fillings, crowns, bridges or dentures are encouraged to enjoy this product at their own risk."

"My Devil Juice is the hottest there is and if you don't believe it taste it," said Gautier of Kingston, Jamaica.

I make it with a blend of hot peppers, spices and a couple of secret ingredients that aren't that fiery by and of themselves but when you mix 'Juice Diable — watch out! — you've got a 10-alarm fire in your mouth."

A lot of firms, chefs and individuals claim to make the world's hottest hot sauces but experts say that nothing compares to Gautier's.

In a recent taste test of 182 pepper sauces in Kingston, 83 connoisseurs agreed that Devil Juice is not only spicy, it's dangerously spicy — hot enough to dissolve soft metals and definitely anything for the faint of heart."

The 36th judge, Miss Chevalier, was unable to memorialize her assessment of the sauce when the fillings in her mouth melted and she was taken to a hospital in shock.

Gautier sells his hot sauce through gourmet shops in Kingston but hopes to begin worldwide distribution next year.

Meanwhile, hot sauce fanciers are paying up to $80 per 8-ounce bottle for Devil Juice. According to Gautier, that tiny amount would last the average person five years or more.

"A little goes a long, long way," said Gautier. "A drop or two will spice a turkey and a spoonful will fire up a whole pig.

"Just don't eat it with your dentures or unless you've got the money to buy new ones. My ours is that good."

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[redacted] John Paul Jones was [redacted] Mr. Nice Guy

Americans naval hero John Paul Jones had a down side to his character, history shows. He was a pirate, a murderer and a rapist.

The Revolutionary War sailor — who told British pirate Sir [illegible] "I have not yet begun to fight!" — was also born out of wedlock.

He died penniless in France, according to an article by World Features Syndicate.

Housewife's stunning claim:

SMOOCHIN' matt shows the old Gable style as he gives Harriet a smack on the lips.

My Dalmatian's a reincarnation of 40s movie hunk Clark Gable!

PALatable heartthrob Clark Gable was every gal's dream.

By SCOTTY PAUL
Correspondent

Housewife Harriet Barinos is convinced her pet Dalmatian "Spot" is Hollywood movie hunk Clark Gable reincarnated.

"As soon as my husband leaves for work, Spot gets very romantic — nothing sexy — but I can just tell it's Clark."

Harriet was just a child when the great Gable — known as "The King" — died of a heart attack in 1960. But she's seen his masterpiece, Gone With The Wind, five times.

"I look into Spot's big brown eyes and see the Gable look that made beautiful women melt in his muscular arms," Harriet said. "I get goose bumps."

Her handsome Dalmatian was scarcely more than a year old when he went berserk as she was watching a TV rerun of Gable playing Fletcher Christian in the classic movie, *Mutiny on the Bounty*.

"I swear it sounded as if Spot was trying to say Gable's lines along with him," she said. "I've never seen him so excited. He kept running back and forth from me to the TV."

Harriet was thrilled when her beautiful black and white dog jumped up on the couch and gave her a smooch. "He didn't just lick my mouth. He really kissed me," said the shocked housewife.

Since that bizarre incident, Harriet and the dog watch at least one Gable movie a week together.

"When I jokingly call him Clark, he stares at me with a strange look in his big brown eyes that begs me if to say, 'Yes, that's me.'"

Harriet's strange-acting pet seems to have a fascination for French horn music and TV reruns of the late comedian, George Gobel.

"Spot pitched such a fit one night while we were watching an old Gobel show, I had to put him on the back porch," she said.

"And he howled and howled when a neighbor kid practiced his French horn. I still don't know why her pet acted that way until she chortled a tooth out of the library about the life of the late movie idol.

What she discovered made her feel even more that Spot was Gable reincarnated.

"Gable's real name was Gaetal and he later changed to Gable," she said. "At the age of 16, he played the French horn in his hometown band."

Even more incredible was a photo she found of Gable as a boy. He was playing in a yard with the family pet — a Dalmatian.

"My husband thinks I'm nuts to believe our dog is Clark Gable. So do my friends. But they don't believe in reincarnation. I do."

Harriet says Spot perks up whenever a pretty woman drops by.

"But he pays absolutely no attention to the ugly ones," she

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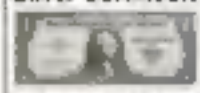

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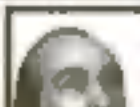

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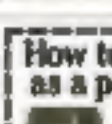

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Boy, 7, lost in cave rescued by FIREFLIES!

By DARRYL STEWART
Special correspondent

Terrified tyke Pedro Garcia spent 12 horrifying hours lost in a pitch-black cave until he was miraculously led to safety — by a huge swarm of fireflies.

Seven-year-old Pedro wandered into the cave while camping with his parents and friends northwest of Pamplona, Spain.

"I used to catch fireflies and put them in jars," ecstatic mom Francesca Garcia said. "But I swear to God I'll never do that again. And if I see anybody else doing it, I'll stop them!"

Adventurous Pedro slipped away from the campsite shortly before dusk and couldn't find his way back.

As night came, the frightened youngster sought shelter in the cave, hoping someone would come looking for him.

"I thought I might stay there until mom and dad found me, or until daylight," he said. But after going inside the cave, the curious kid decided to explore.

Back at the camp, his frantic folks searched the treacherous terrain for him, enlisting the help of friends and other campers.

"I was sure my boy was dead!" Pedro's worried dad said. He didn't know his little boy was hopelessly lost deep in the creepy cave.

"I was so scared," Pedro said. "I didn't know if I would get out of there alive. Then I saw this weird light coming at me."

As the eerie illumination came closer, Pedro realized it was a swarm of fireflies — creating a blinding light!

"The light was so bright I had to cover my eyes," he said. "They started to move and I followed them. They led me right out of the cave!"

Once out of the cave, the friendly insects amazingly guided him back to the campsite.

Leading entomologist Dr. Sylvia Cordoba, commenting on the fireflies, was astounded.

"I knew that in some countries fireflies have provided light in many ways but this . . . it's truly spectacular.

"Even though a single firefly produces light equal to 1/40th of a candle's, you could read or see a great distance with thousands of them," Dr. Cordoba said.

WORLD'S

By TOM SCHELLER
Special to The Weekly World News

Skinny Lela Jenkins couldn't gain weight no matter how hard she tried so her 275-pound sister helped her bulk up with a donation of flab in the first fat transplant ever!

Dr. Jonathan Hayley performed the dramatic "reverse liposuction" procedure on August 10. And while he initially feared that Miss Jenkins' frail, 67-pound body might reject the transplanted fat, months have passed and he's now claiming that the operation was a success.

Dr. Jonathan Hayley

"We're extremely excited about the procedure and if everything works out this kind of thing could become quite commonplace," said the physician.

"We doctors tend to spend all of our time trying to help people lose weight," he added. "But chronic skinness is a very serious problem, one that we must address."

Miss Jenkins, 36, was every bit as enthusiastic. She said the procedure "changed my life. I've been skinny as a toothpick since I had rheumatic fever as

Doc pumps 275-lb. gal

INCREDIBLE photograph of skinny, 67-pound Lela Jenkins taken before the reverse liposuction operation.

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☆ The *Seasprite* will set sail out of Jacksonville, Fla., next summer on a love boat cruise — for gays.

A Minnesota travel company is putting together a cruise for the first and only ship that will be run by homosexuals for homosexuals, according to Travel Weekly.

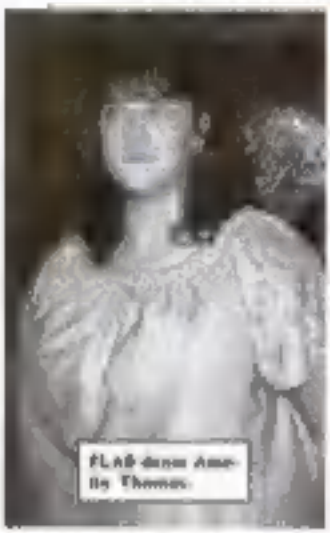
And lesbians fear not. A California-based company

ROBIN HOOD CHARGED IN MURDER OF UNCLE!

A Miramar, Fla., man is charged with killing his 66-year-old uncle — with a bow and arrow!

Anthony Vitale is charged with first-degree murder in the slaying of his sleeping uncle, Frank DeLuca. Cops say it's only the second American

FIRST-EVER FAT TRANSPLANT OPERATION!



FLAB-donor Amelia Thomas

65 pounds of flab from into sister's 67-lb. body

a child and for the first time in memory I feel like a normal human being instead of a freak."

The mind-boggling medical drama unfolded after the woman read a newspaper article about Dr. Hayley's Durban, South Africa, clinic, which specializes in fat-sucking and other weight-loss techniques.

She consulted the doctor about her own problem and asked if there was a surgical treatment for chronic obesity.

He mentioned the possibility of performing a newly developed reverse liposuction procedure if a suitable donor could be found.

Miss Jenkins said that her 275-pound big sister, Amelia Thomas, immediately came to mind.

"I'm very close to Amelia and I've always been sensitive about her weight problem," she explained. "I've watched her struggle with it for years.

"She's been on every diet imaginable and has even had her jaws wired shut in an effort to help her lose weight.

"Amelia has been very depressed about her size and I've always wanted to help her.

"I knew that if I could donate fat to her, it would be a tremendous boost to her self-confidence."

Miss Jenkins' request was met with skepticism by Dr. Hayley.

"He thought I was crazy," she said. "He told me that he'd never heard of anyone wanting to donate fat.

"But after I explained my reasons and ran some tests Dr. Hayley decided to give it a shot," said Miss Jenkins.

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a bid to lose even more weight.

"I feel 10 years younger now that I'm 65 pounds lighter and I've got my sister Lois and Dr. Hayley to thank for it." Miss Jenkins added. "I've dreamed of gaining weight all my life and now that I've finally achieved my goal, I don't know what to say.

"I feel like a new person and I thank God for my new look and wonderful life every chance I get!"

INCREDIBLE reverse liposuction procedure enabled Lois Jenkins, left, to gain 65 pounds overnight thanks to Amelia Thomas' generous donation of excess fat. Photograph shows both happy sisters six months after the historic operation.

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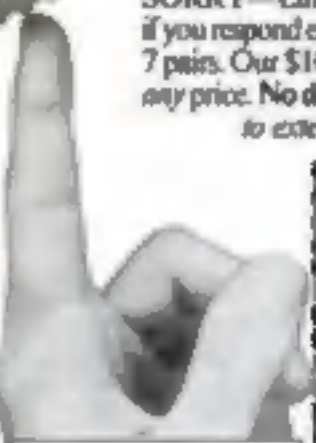

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